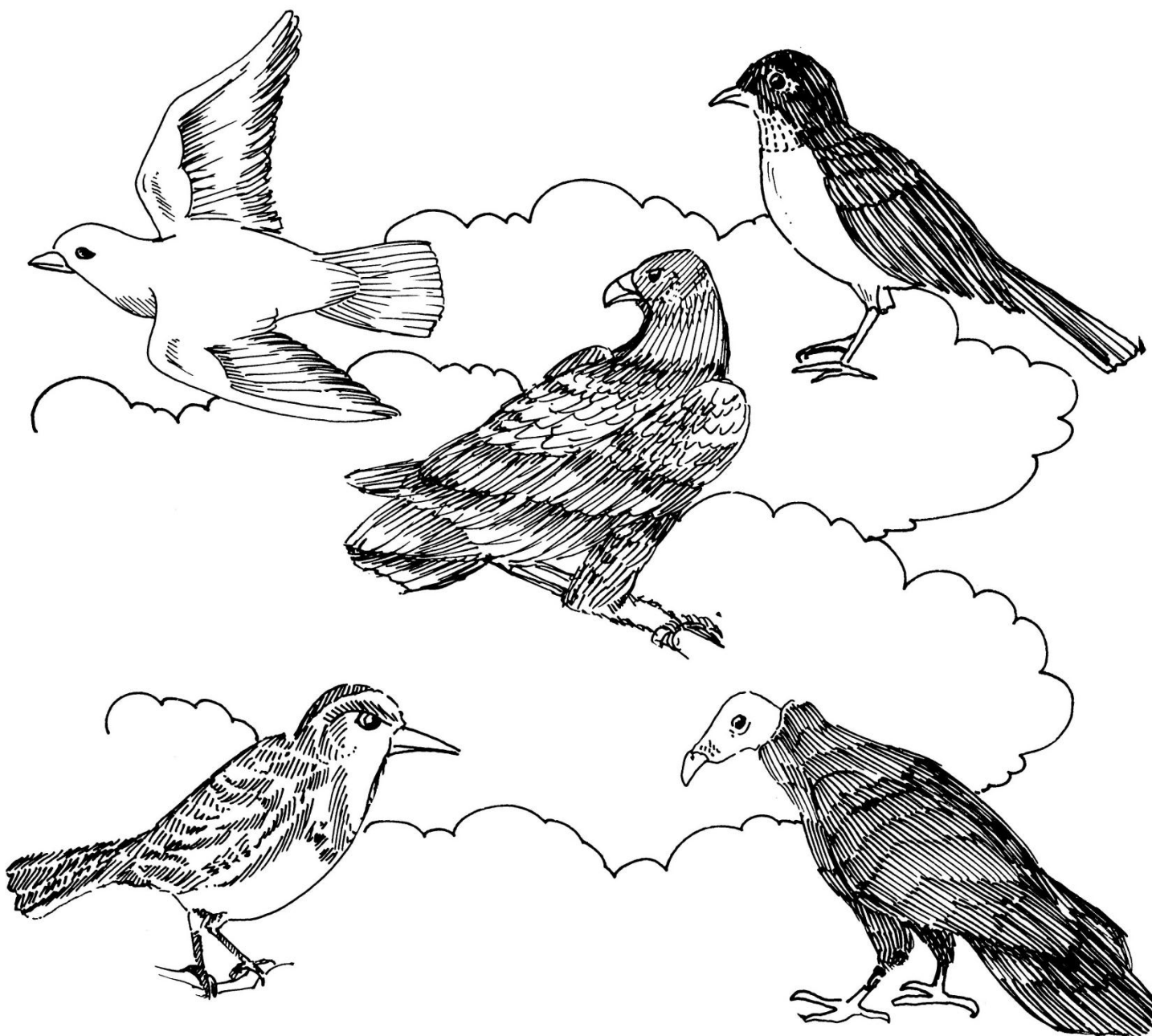




3-8 DISCOVER Birds

More than ninety species of birds make their home at Devils Tower National Monument. The mountains and the prairies join here, so species common to both habitats can be found. Each species hunts for food in different ways and in different places. Therefore, nature allows the many varieties of birds to live in the same area without competing for survival.

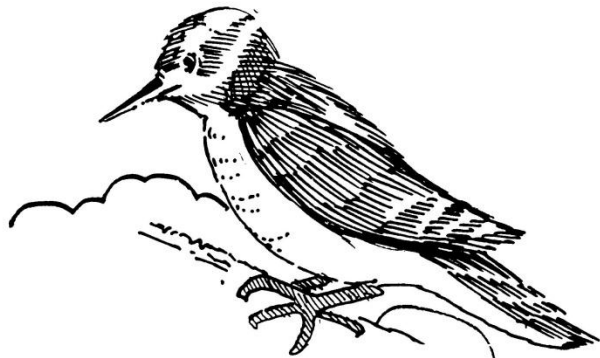
Large birds of prey can be seen swooping down onto the open grasslands. See if you can recognize one of the following: red-tailed hawk, American kestrel, golden and bald eagle, prairie falcon, or the turkey vulture. Did you know the turkey vulture can have a wing span of 6 feet?



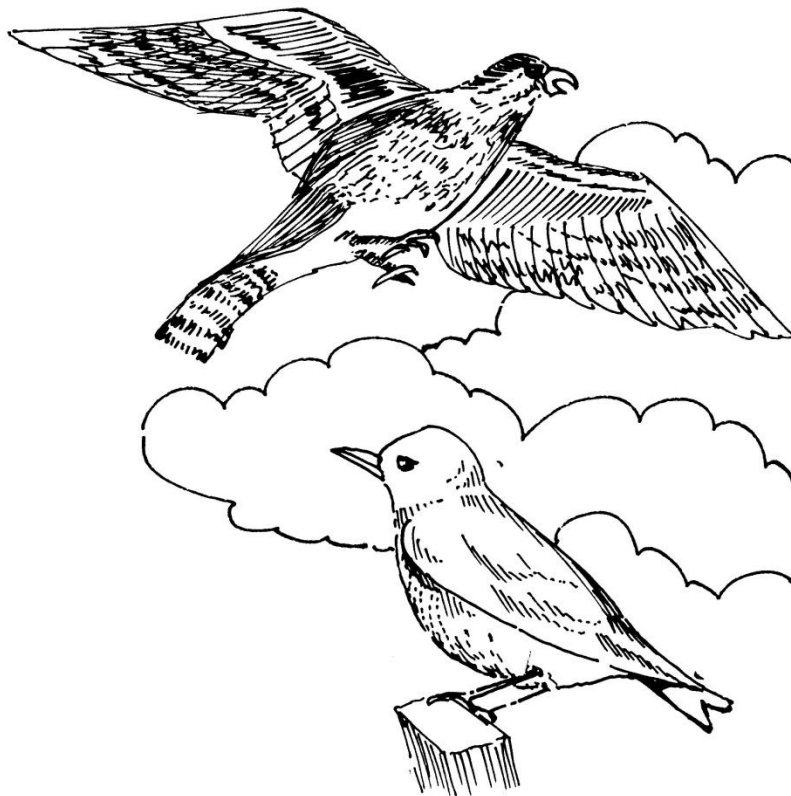


The prairie falcon, rock dove (pigeon), and the white-throated swift are the only birds that nest directly on the Tower.

Some other common Monument residents include: the white-breasted nuthatch, the mountain bluebird, the red-headed woodpecker, the meadowlark, the robin, the vireos, and the Audubon warbler.



Name the Birds and Color the Pictures



BIRD MATCH

MOUNTAIN BLUEBIRD
ROCK DOVE
WESTERN MEADOWLARK
TURKEY VULTURE
ROBIN
PRAIRIE FALCON
GOLDEN EAGLE
HAIRY
WOODPECKER